

The American Insurance Company of Baltimore. The said bill was then read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Steuart of Baltimore city, the blanks in the 5th line of the 3d section, prescribing the time for electing directors, were so filled up as to fix it on the first Monday of February.

On motion by Mr. Blakistone, the bill was amended, by inserting the following at the end thereof, as an additional section, viz.

"Sec. -. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be construed in anywise to affect the right of the legislature to levy on the real and personal property of said company, a tax similar to that which is or may hereafter be levied on the real and personal property within this state."

The said bill, so amended, was then passed, and sent to the senate for concurrence.

The bill reported by Mr. Lee, chairman of the committee on internal improvement, entitled, An act to incorporate a company, under the name and style of The Frederick County Canal Company, was taken up for consideration, and in the progress of the second reading thereof,

On motion by Mr. Lee, the blank in the first section thereof was filled with the names of John Schley, Richard Potts, John Brengle, William M. Beall, and Stuart Gaither, as the commissioners thereby appointed.

The said bill, having been read throughout, was then passed, and sent to the senate for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Lee, the house resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, as regards the bill, entitled, An act to authorise the employment of slaves from the state of Virginia, by the president and directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal company, their agents, &c. And the question recurred on the amendment offered by Mr. Turner of Baltimore county, and depending yesterday; When,

Mr. Eccleston moved to postpone said bill and amendment indefinitely.

And, on the question, Will the house agree thereto? it was decided in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Lee, the said bill was then laid on the table;

And, on motion by Mr. Eccleston the said bill was made the order of the day for Tuesday the 27th instant.

According to the order of the day, the house proceeded to consider the bill reported by Mr. Wright of Dorchester, entitled, An act to alter and amend the constitution and form of government of this state, so far as relates to filling va-